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Attached is a Response to Restriction Requirement responsive to the Official Action of May 14, 2003 in U.S. Serial No. 09/670,214, filed September 25, 2000.

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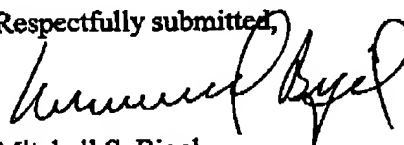
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of May 14, 2003, Applicants hereby elect the study type TEDPHA from those listed in Claim 2, and in analogous Claims 26 and 48. Applicants are not traversing this election of species requirement, because Applicants agree that patentably distinct species are present in these claims. Applicants also note that the Election/Restriction requirement indicates that all of Claims 1-68 are generic to the above species.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request examination of all of pending Claims 1-68 including the elected species, and allowance of all of the pending claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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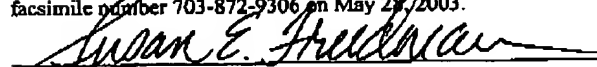
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